

Citizens Clean Elections Commission  
Executive Director Report  
September 9, 2005

Announcements

- I began work on September 8, 2005 and the staff and assistant AGs have been great at helping me get up to speed. We are tackling a number of pressing projects.

Participation

- We currently have 17 participating candidates for the 2006 election cycle.
- The Fund balance as of 8/31/05 is \$23.6 million dollars.

Voter Education

- Congratulations to our Voter Education Manager Autumn Southard who is currently on her honeymoon. She was busy before she left.
  - Two email blasts went out - 8/22/05 & 9/14/05.
  - First Participating Candidate Workshop took place on 9/1/05.
    - There were approx. 6 attendees - statewide & legislative candidates were present.
  - Postcards continue to be sent to alert Participating Candidates & Treasurers of the workshops. Ads have been running in *The Capitol Times* with the dates of the Participating Candidate Workshops. The schedule is posted on the website and flyers have been distributed to the Secretary of State's Office.
  - \$5 qualifying contribution plan is currently underway - television, print ads (dailies) and a direct mail piece.
    - We have bumper stickers outside the conference room for those who are interested.
  - Fourth quarter bulletin to be released on 10/1/05.
  - Received one debate sponsor application as of 9/9/05.

5 Year Rule Review Update

- We have begun preparing the Rule Review Report. We will be hiring a rules expert to help prepare the report.

NJ \$5 Contribution Rule

- The AG's office is researching whether NJ's rule would be statutorily permissible in Arizona.

Staffing

- We have posted the Deputy Director's position with advertisements in *The Capitol Times* and *Arizona Republic*. We have received at least 11 qualified applications.

#### Auditor General Report

- Still no date for when we will get a draft copy. Colleen McGee hopes to receive more info by the Commission meeting.

#### Enforcement

- 2006 - 2 complaints filed and no action was taken. I will be reviewing the 2006 complaints as they arise.
- 2004 - 77 complaints total. Gene Lemon is wrapping up 2004 enforcement matters.
  - 3 under review
  - 6 under investigation
  - 3 investigation complete, at hearing (Smith, Murphy & Murchison)
  - 65 completed and closed